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Mr. Richard L. Wright, Acting Director Office of Congressional Affairs Department of Energy Washington, D.C. 20585

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Ms. Patricia M. Ward Assistant Attorney General Office of Legislative Affairs Department of Justice Washington, D.C. 20530

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Mr. Douglas J. Bennet, Jr. Assistant Secretary Office of Congressional Relations Department of State Washington, D.C. 20520

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Mr. Danny Coulson Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D.C. 20535

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Mr. Eugene Yeates Chief, Legislative Affairs National Security Agency Fort Meade, Maryland 20755

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Mr. Jack L. Stempler
Assistant to the Secretary
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